

To: Director of Central Intelligence
From: Assistant Director for Operations
Subject: [] Project

1 July 1948

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Reference: (a) Memo from AD/ORE to Deputy Director, same subject,
dated 27 April 1948

(b) Memo from Deputy Director to AD/DO, AD/ORE, etc.
same subject, dated 4 May 1948

1. Investigation of various aspects of the [] Project
has disclosed the following points:

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- (a) The original mission of the project has largely been fulfilled, with the completion of the assigned research and indexing of relevant material [] 50X1
- (b) As indicated in reference (a) and in the attached memorandum from the Deputy Chief, Special Procedures Group. (Encl. A), the primary users of the data prepared under [] are satisfied that the project has served its purpose, and do not recommend its continuance. 50X1
- (c) A large quantity of more recent material of the same type is now being received by the Library of Congress. Exploitation of this material would be preferable to the prolongation of the [] project. 50X1
- (d) Intelligence screening of material received in future by the [] could be accomplished by Foreign Documents Branch personnel in brief periods of "temporary duty" once a year, or more often if necessary. 50X1

2. From the standpoint of intelligence value, efficiency in management, budgetary economy and the most appropriate use of qualified personnel, it is recommended that [] as a full-time project in its present location, be terminated as of 30 September 1948. Proposed date of termination has been chosen for administrative reasons. 50X1

3. If this recommendation is approved, it is requested that:

- (a) [] be allocated to OO from funds requested by ORE for operation of [] in fiscal year 1949. Estimated sum will cover 3 months' running expenses and closedown of project. 50X1

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(b) Permission be granted for occasional visits [] of representatives of Foreign Documents Branch to arrange for termination of [] to maintain contact with [] and ensure continued availability of material, and to screen recent accessions.

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Attachment
Encl. A.

CONCUR:

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/s/ L. T. Shannon
Executive for Administration and Management

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